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VISIT TO ATHENS AND CYPRUS

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1. MEDIA COVERAGE CONGRESSMEN BRADEMAS AND SARBANES
VISIT TO ATHENS THOROUGH AND POSITIVE. ALL NEWSPAPERS
JANUARY 10 GAVE AMPLE COVERAGE TO PRESS CONFERENCE CONGRESSMEN
HELD PREVIOUS DAY AT USIS (REFTEL) WITH SEVERAL PAPERS
GIVING EXTENDED VERBATIM EXTRACTS (E.G. KATHIMERINI,
ATHINAIKI AND APOYEVMATINI). THE MORNING NEWSPAPER
ELEFTHEROS COSMOS TOOK NOTE OF CONGRESSMEN'S VISIT TO
CYPRUS JANUARY 9 - 10 AND POINTED OUT THAT THEY HAD "LONG
CONVERSATION" WITH ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS. AFTERNOON PAPERS
TA NEA AND VRADYNI FOCUSED PARTICULARLY ON CYPRUS VISIT
WITH LATTER PRINTING GOOD-SIZED PHOTOGRAPH OF TWO
CONGRESSMEN WITH MAKARIOS.

2. REPRESENTATIVE HEADLINES FOLLOW: "CYPRUS PROBLEM HAS
AWAKENED GREEK AMERICANS" (AVGHI); "THERE NOW EXISTS
A DEMOCRATIC DIALOGUE IN GREECE, CONGRESSMEN DECLARE"
(ACROPOLIS); "CYPRUS STANDS IN THE WAY OF GREEK-AMERICAN
RELATIONS" (ELLINIKON MELLON); "NEAR-TERM SOLUTION IN
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CYPRUS FORESEEN BY MESSRS., BRADEMAS AND SARBANES"

(KATHIMERINI); "OPTIMISM OF GREEK-AMERICAN POLITICAL
PERSONALITIES: CYPRUS PROBLEM WILL BE SOLVED SHORTLY"
(ATHINAIKI).

3. TV COVERAGE JAN 9 OF USIS PRESS CONFERENCE COVERED
EXTENSIVELY AND POSITIVELY BY BOTH NATIONAL NETWORKS. ARMED
FORCES NETWORK (YENED) GAVE PRIME COVERAGE ON ITS 2130 HOURS
NEWS PROGRAM TO USIS PRESS CONFERENCE WHILE THE NATIONAL
NETWORK (EIRT) DEVOTED EQUALLY SUBSTANTIAL TIME TO INTERVIEW
TAPED PREVIOUSLY EVENING WITH TWO CONGRESSMEN.
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